

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2424 - SB 2801

February 10, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the sale of firearms to a person listed on the federal terrorist watchlist.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1316(q)(1), it is a Class A misdemeanor offense to sell or offer to sell a firearm to a person knowing that the person is prohibited by state or federal law from owning, possessing or purchasing a firearm.
- According to the United States Government Accountability Office, there was an average of 188.8 firearm or explosive background checks involving individuals on the terrorist watchlist between 2011 and 2015 that were allowed to proceed to purchase, nationally.
- Given that relatively low figure, there will not be a sufficient number of Class A misdemeanor prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- Any impact on the number of handgun carry permits will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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